

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**  
**2016 Exhibition**  
***“Journeys: Your Road to Alexandria”***

**Exhibition Rules and Guidelines**

<b>SPONSORED BY:</b>	The Alexandria Society for the Preservation of Black Heritage, Inc., Alexandria Black History Museum, Alexandria Commission for the Arts, Alexandria City Public School Art Teachers, and the Office of Equity and Cultural Competency.
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<b>PARTICIPANTS:</b>	Elementary Level Alexandria City Public Schools
<b>LEVELS:</b>	Grades 2, 3, 4 and 5
<b>SUBMISSION INFORMATION:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Please submit <b>unmounted</b> artwork.</li><li>• Please submit individual posters only.</li><li>• Paper size: 12” x 18” or 8 ½” x 11”</li></ul>
<b>EXHIBITION DATES:</b>	January 18, 2016 to February 29, 2016, Vola Lawson Lobby, City Hall, 301 King Street, Alexandria, VA

**SCHEDULE AND CHECK LIST OF DEADLINES**

<b>November 30, 2015</b>	Exhibition Rules and Guidelines packets delivered to all Alexandria City Public Elementary Schools
<b>January 4-8, 2016</b>	Poster entries due to the Alexandria Black History Museum, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. (902 Wythe Street)
<b>SPELLING GUIDELINES:</b>	We encourage proper spelling.
<b>PERMISSION GUIDELINES:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In lieu of having individual permission slips signed, please be certain that all entries are cleared in your school’s main office file of student permission request forms. If this is not checked, we will assume all of your entries have been cleared for use in the local media.</li><li>• It will be the teacher’s responsibility to sign off on the attached <b>Artwork Identification Form</b>.</li></ul>

**PROGRAM AND VENUE:**    **The Students' Recognition Program will be Monday, January 18, 2016, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) 301 King Street Alexandria, Virginia, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.**

**The Reception will immediately follow the program and will be in the Vola Lawson Lobby, City Hall (1<sup>st</sup> Floor) From 2:15 to 3:00 p.m.**

**HELPFUL HINTS:**

- No more than 12 entries per school (3 per grade level)
- Important to include teacher form with entries
- Confirm accurate contact information for teachers
- Teachers are encouraged to have their students create posters about each student's journey or ancestors' journeys to Alexandria. The story of our city begins with journeys from all over the world. ([alexandriava.gov/BlackHistory](http://alexandriava.gov/BlackHistory))

**RECOGNITION:**                      All students selected for the exhibition will be recognized at the **January 18, 2016** program at City Hall.

**HISTORY OF THE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. EXHIBITION:**

The Martin Luther King Jr. Poster Exhibition started as a contest in 1990. It was created by the Alexandria Society for the Preservation of Black Heritage, Inc. (ASPBH), which highlighted the art work of Alexandria City Public School students. The ASPBH is the friends group for the Alexandria Black History Museum (formally known as the Alexandria Black History Resource Center). Under the leadership of two memorable society presidents, Harry Burke and Carlton A. Funn Sr., the contest grew from a small exhibit and program held at the Alexandria Black History Museum, to a larger exhibition held in the Vola Lawson Lobby of City Hall in January and February of each year. In addition to the exhibition, a formal program is held in City Hall honoring the legacy of Dr. King. In 2013, the contest became a Memorial Exhibition honoring the late ASPBH President Carlton A. Funn, Sr. In 2014, the exhibition and program returned to City Hall.

The 2016 exhibition will display students' illustrations of their own family's struggles, accomplishments, and journeys to reach Alexandria. How did you come to Alexandria? Were your ancestors settlers, brought here as slaves, immigrants looking for opportunity or freedom? The story of our city begins with journeys from all over the world. The struggle for freedom and equality begins with sharing our experiences and stories with each other. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life-long work for civil rights in America was a journey to freedom for justice and respect. This year, we ask the students to tell the story behind their personal experience.

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Exhibition Chairperson**  
Ms. Tracye Funn

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